

According to the Montana Weed Control Act, a noxious weed is any non-native plant that may render land unfit for agriculture, wildlife, forestry, recreation, and other beneficial uses of the land or that may harm native plant communities. These weeds have been prioritized by the Jefferson County Weed Board.

MONTANA NOXIOUS WEED LIST

Priority 1A	<p>These weeds are not present in Montana. Management criteria will require eradication if detected; education; and prevention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Yellow starthistle - (<i>Centaurea solstitialis</i>)
Priority 1B	<p>These weeds have limited presence in Montana. Management criteria will require eradication or containment and education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Dyers woad - (<i>Isatis tinctoria</i>) ➤ Flowering rush – (<i>Butomus umbellatus</i>) ➤ Japanese knotweed complex – (<i>Polygonum</i> spp.) ➤ Purple loosestrife – (<i>Lythrum</i> spp.) ➤ Rush skeleton – (<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>) ➤ Eurasian watermilfoil – (<i>Myriophyllum specatum</i>) ➤ Scotch broom – (<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>) ➤ Curlyleaf pondweed – (<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>)
Priority 2A	<p>These weeds are common in isolated areas of Montana. Management criteria will require eradication or containment where less abundant. Management shall be prioritized by local weed districts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Tansy ragwort – (<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>) ➤ Meadow hawkweed complex – (<i>Hieracium</i> spp.) ➤ Orange hawkweed – (<i>Hieracium aurantiacum</i>) ➤ Tall buttercup – (<i>Ranunculus acris</i>) ➤ Perennial pepperweed – (<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>) ➤ Yellowflag iris – (<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>) ➤ Blueweed – (<i>Echium vulgare</i>) ➤ Hoary Alyssum – (<i>Berteroa incana</i>)
Priority 2B	<p>These weeds are in Montana & widespread in many counties. Management criteria will require eradication or containment where less abundant. Management shall be prioritized by local weed districts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Canada thistle – (<i>Cirsium arvense</i>) ➤ Field bindweed - (<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>) ➤ Leafy spurge – <i>Euphorbia esula</i>) ➤ Whitetop – (<i>Cardaria draba</i>) ➤ Russian knapweed – (<i>Centaurea repens</i>) ➤ Spotted knapweed – (<i>Centaurea stoebe</i> or <i>maculosa</i>) ➤ Diffuse knapweed – (<i>Centaurea diffusa</i>) ➤ Dalmation toadflax – (<i>Linaria dalmatica</i>) ➤ St. Johnswort – (<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>) ➤ Sulfur cinquefoil – (<i>Potentilla recta</i>) ➤ Common tansy – (<i>Tanacetum vulgare</i>) ➤ Oxeye daisy – (<i>Chrysanthemum leucanthemum</i> or <i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>) ➤ Houndstongue – (<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>) ➤ Yellow toadflax – (<i>Linaria vulgaris</i>) ➤ Saltcedar – (<i>Tamarix</i> spp.)
Priority 3	<p>Regulated Plants: (NOT MONTANA LISTED NOXIOUS WEEDS). These regulated plants have the potential to have a significant negative impact. The plant may not be intentionally spread or sold other than as a contaminant in agricultural products. The state recommends research, education and prevention to minimize the spread of the regulated plant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Cheatgrass – (<i>Bromus tectorum</i>) ➤ Hydrilla – (<i>Hydrilla verticillata</i>)